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## WOMEN SMOTHER EQUAL SUFFRAGE

President of Women's Federation Declares Question Out of Order.

San Francisco, Calif., July 6.—Equal suffrage was smothered as an issue in the General Federation of Women's clubs yesterday and cannot come up for general discussion again until the next biennial meeting in 1914. An unexpected motion by Mrs. Charles Farwell Edison, of Los Angeles, that the convention will go on record for suffrage was offered from the floor and ruled out of order by the chair. Mrs. Philip N. Moore, of St. Louis, the retiring president, ruled that all motions must come before the convention from the committee on resolutions. She explained that the purpose of the federal

## Juarez Filled With Soldiers Whose Cartridge Belts Need Replenishing

Border City Resumes Its Military Air and Makes Bid for Fame as New Capital of the State.  
By NORMAN M. WALKER.

JUAREZ has again assumed military airs.

The old border town has awakened from its midsummer lethargy to welcome the rebel army on its retreat from Bachimba. There are no uniforms and no marching to the old town across the river preceding the historic battle of Juarez. But the soldiers of Orozco are as much the seasoned campaigners as those of Navarro, who shuffled through the streets in their slatted covered fatigue uniforms a little more than a year ago. Tall hatted and dressed in rags, the revolutionary army shows the wear and tear of the strenuous campaign, which it has been conducting against the advance of the federalists in the south.

Relay Station the Center.

The Mexican Central station is again the point of interest for the populace of Juarez, for it is there that the troop trains are unloaded and there the soldiers, their wives and families, are huddled in little groups waiting for orders to move toward Casas Grandes. The old station was completely surrounded Saturday by the women and children, bags and baggage of the rebel soldiers.

Along the west front of the station, sitting in the glaring summer sun the negroes and children, the scurvy dogs which they have lugged from place to place during the campaign in the field. In the rear of the station an officer's mess was established by two disheveled Mexican camp followers. In a corner of the patio the women had set up their fires and were industriously cooking supper for a half dozen semi-uniformed officers who sat around on the trunks, chests and boxes which had been unloaded from the troop trains. The women squatted over the miniature ranges made of three bricks piled on as many sides of the burning mesquite wood. They stirred the coffee, concocted the Mexican dishes and patted tortillas just as they have been doing in the field since they marched south with their men to the war.

There was to educate women in all things looking to their betterment, and that the present sense of the committee was that Mrs. Edison's resolution would tend to make that work more difficult and that she was ill-advised.

Protest Against Ruling.

Mrs. Washburn, of Washington, protested spiritedly against the decision of the chair.

The ballot, she said, would be "a tool in the hands of women to shape legislation for their own help and their children's, by the weight it would carry with the state legislatures."

Resolutions Passed.

The convention adopted a number of resolutions, among them a vote of appreciation to president Taft for his appointment of Miss Julia Lathrop to the head of the children's bureau. Others were:

Endorsements of the good roads movement for a national highway; conservation of national resources and prevention of curtailment of forest reserves; bills for betterment of defective children; bills for betterment of immigrant men and women; plan to have women

There is a noticeable absence of ammunition belts on the men. Many of them have only a few cartridges stuck in their belts and the greater number have no belts at all. Neither are they as anxious to carry the heavy rifles as they were before they left for the front and when the sentinels were looking on. Spills of water are evident everywhere. Beautifully bred Mexican horses bearing the Terrazas brand, with variegated saddles and bits and high pointed boots and overall dressed Mexican rebels. Expensive trousers and tight fitting coats are much in evidence. Silk scarves from some novelty stores in the interior are carelessly tied around the sunburned necks of the clanking cavalrymen, while a few of the officers wear expensive Panama hats as their share in the looting.

Activity Replaces Torpor.

Action has taken the place of torpor in Juarez. The rebel horsemen gallop from corral to barracks and to and from the station. Bands of 200 or more cavalrymen on their horses and on foot establish their headquarters in the rear of the custom house where the gold trimmed coach of Gen. Diaz was kept when he visited Juarez last. The streets are thronged with the swarming soldiers of the revolution, swinging their rifles and saluting his friends the enemy. Recognizing him as his former commander, a federal soldier who had deserted to the rebel side, runs up and seizes the former federal officer by the hand.

In the custom house the revolutionary governor has established his state capital where Diaz met Taft, where Madero danced and where Gomez ruled for a few brief hours.

Juarez has again come into its own and the people are making a holiday in celebration. What the next card in the game is dealing will be the care neither known nor cared by the free people. There are soldiers in the town, the spurs again clank on the sidewalks and the sabers rattle against the officers' sides and all are happy children of Latin-America.

Police in all large cities; opposition to prison contract labor; study of Bible literature by literary clubs; furtherance of high ideals in the drama and on the professional stage; workmen's compensation act; federal aid for vocational training for boys and girls; endorsement of the plans for medical inspection in schools for school nurses and for out-of-door schools; demand that the president of the United States reorganize the department of agriculture so that the pure food and drugs act be better enforced and the law not be prostituted for special interests; endorsement of the "white slave" laws and protesting against the light sentence meted out to convicted offenders; protest against the contempt of the war department; protest against imposing any legal disability on women that is not imposed on men; endorsement of uniform marriage and divorce laws; favoring the appointment by the National Educational association of a committee to outline a course of study of sex hygiene to be taught in all normal schools; favoring women inspectors for immigrants at all ports of landing.

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## MANY REBELS IN JUAREZ ON MARCH TO SONORA; SOME CUT ACROSS COUNTRY

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Were transmitted Saturday. However, it is believed that they will be cut at almost any time.

One more train of rebel soldiers is expected to arrive in Juarez Saturday night, about 8 o'clock.

There is a scarcity of artillery on the arriving trains. So far there has been none in evidence. However, in the Juarez garrison there have been several machine guns and two mortars for some time.

Orozco Looked For.

Gen. Pascual Orozco today was expected at the new rebel capital—Juarez—to launch further plans for a continuation of the revolution. There have been all sorts of reports that he had arrived, but he is not yet in Juarez.

A Washington dispatch says Orozco arrived in Juarez today, according to reports received at the war department today from Col. E. Z. Steever, acting commander of the department of Texas. Consul Edwards at Juarez, the dispatch adds, says that while there are reports of many rebels on their way to Juarez, few have arrived.

Though the plan of guerrilla warfare originally called for a division of the rebel forces into detachments of 150 men, Gen. Orozco now has ordered that each column shall contain not less than

500 able men to dominate the region assigned to each column.

Rebels Advance Into Sonora.

Already the rebel invasion of the state of Sonora has begun. Nearly 1000 men under Gen. Emilio Campa are marching from Casas Grandes on the Mexico North Western railroad, toward Bavispe, one of the mountain passes leading into Sonora.

En route from Agua Prieta, opposite Douglas, Ariz., to try to check them is the federal column of 800 men under Gen. Sanjines, who will make his headquarters at Colonia Morelos, near the Sonora state line and 40 miles south of the international boundary.

Huerta Nears Chihuahua.

Gen. Huerta has established headquarters at Huerfania, 25 miles south of the city of Chihuahua.

Railroad and telegraph communication with the city of Chihuahua probably will be restored in five days, from the south.

Nearly 3000 rebel troops reached Juarez Friday en route to Casas Grandes, and the region along the Mexico North Western railroad, southwest of the border.

Refugees Bring Women.

Hundreds of women and children, mostly refugees from Chihuahua city, now in the hands of the federal government, came with the troops. Homeless, they camped in the streets last night, cooking their meals on curbs and sleeping in the open.

Gen. Pascual Orozco, the rebel chief, spent the night at Casas, 50 miles north of Chihuahua, giving final orders to 3500 cavalry, which he directed westward across country toward Casas Grandes and the state of Sonora, now the rebel objective. He will arrive in Juarez today.

Those who witnessed the battle of Bachimba, declare the rebels had every advantage, driving the rebels away long before they intended to retreat.

The last troop train was pulling out of Bachimba, a scattered fire from federal cavalry was directed at it, the passengers calling frantically to the engineer for speed.

NO INTENTION TO MOLEST THE GAS PLANT

Associated Press Corrects False Statement Telegraphed to Washington From El Paso Yesterday.

The Associated Press staff correspondent, who is in El Paso directing the work of the correspondents in the field with the Mexican troops, telegraphed the following last night to that news association:

Col. Pascual Orozco, father of the rebel chief, denied today the report from Washington that the rebels would direct artillery fire across the international line to destroy the plant of an El Paso electric light company. The story has been in circulation here for nearly a month, but officials here representing the department of justice, the state and war departments, after having investigated it, stated they did not believe any such contingency probable. Governor Gutierrez, rebel executive of the state of Chihuahua, said of the report:

"The story is absurd. The rebels intend to do nothing to provoke international complications of any kind. Our aim is against the Madero government and no other."

Notwithstanding governor Colquhoun's report to Washington that he would send the Texas militia to El Paso, army officers here regard the situation as

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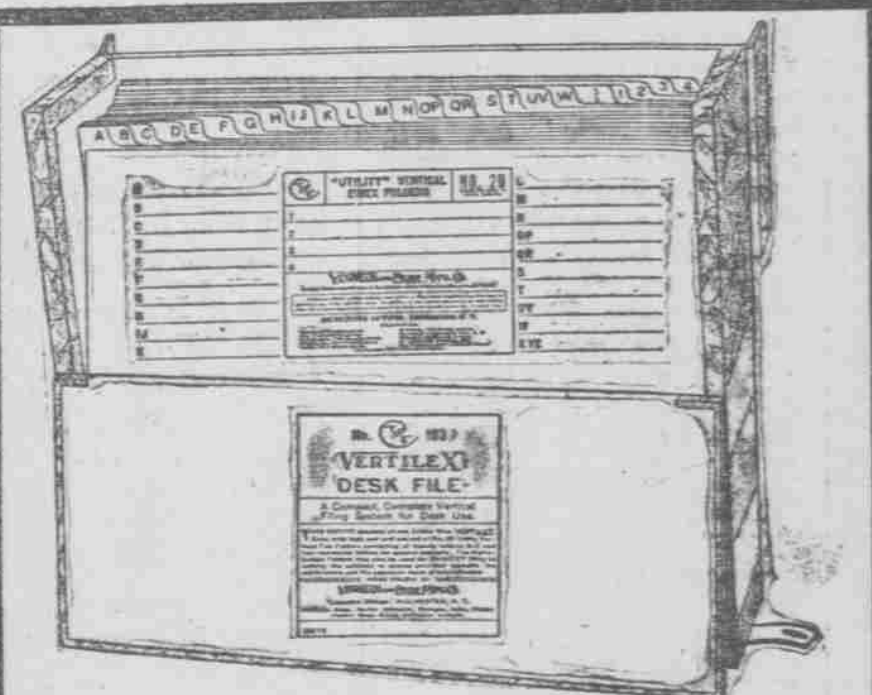
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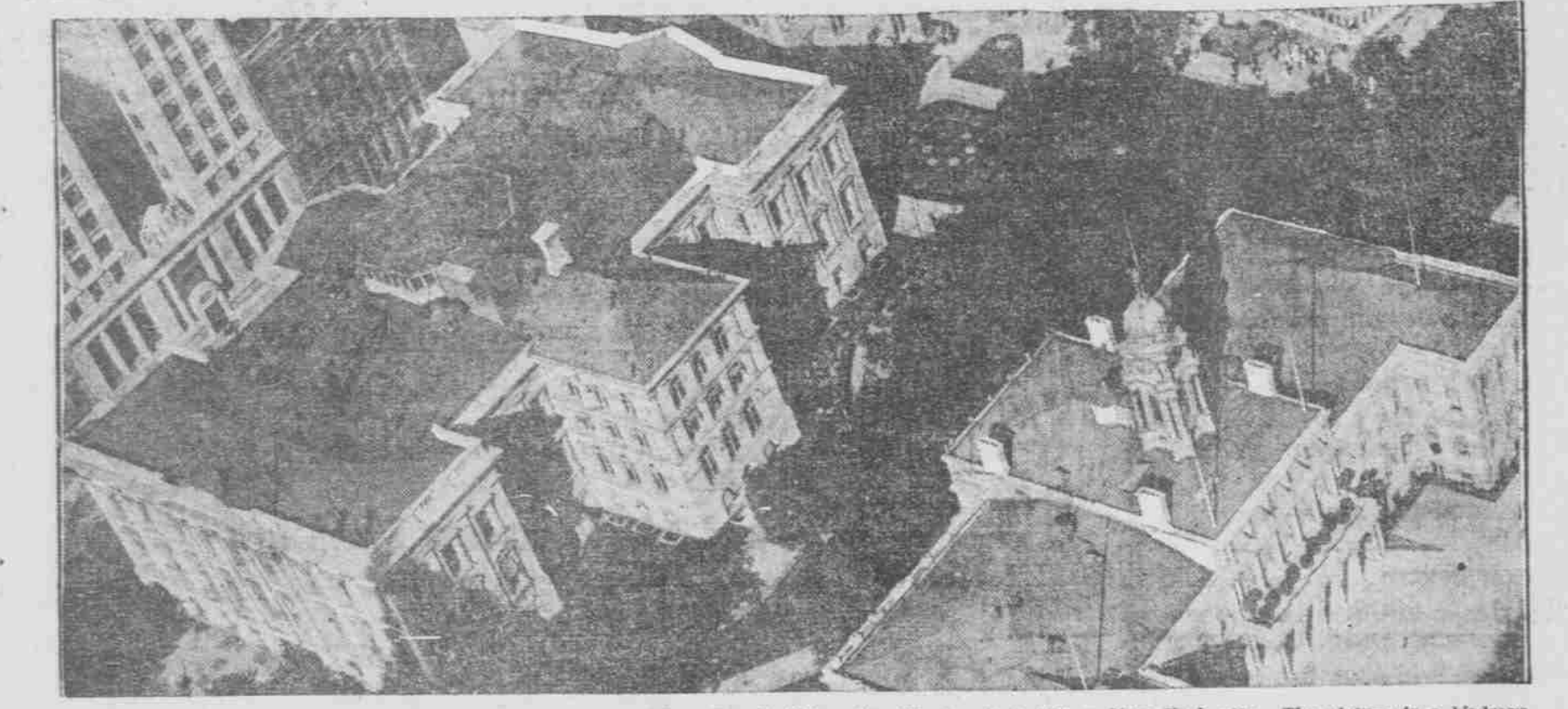
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## Scientists Entirely Stumped by the Revelation That Many Creatures LIVE and BREED in Virulent POISONS

## Some New Discoveries About Deadly POISONS

By Prof. JAMES ELLIOTT WINSLOW

WITHIN the past few weeks the world of science has come face to face with an entirely new set of facts which are beyond its power to explain. Some of the most instantaneously deadly poisons known to chemistry have been found quite harmless to certain forms of life. There have recently been noticed several instances where certain insects have shown wonderful resistance when placed in situations in which other varieties would instantly die.

The law of special adaptation does not solve the problem, for special adaptation is only acquired through long periods of time and the breeding of generation after generation of creatures. Thus in the case of the worm that lives in the California crude petroleum, for instance, it is known, of course, that petroleum was discovered in California only a few years ago and there has been no opportunity for the law of adaptation or acquired immunity to become

effective. Science is stumped; what it has just discovered it cannot explain upon any rational hypothesis.

If a chemist were asked to name the most powerful poison he would instantly say hydrocyanic acid (prussic acid); yet there exists a family of small butterflies, or moths, scientifically known as the *Zygaenidae*, which are not affected by this powerful poison. They are the only living animals which are immune to this deadly gas. It will be remembered that this is the poison which Richeson used to murder his sweetheart, Avis Linnell, by giving her a capsule of potassium cyanide. When the capsule dissolved in the stomach the gastric juice acted on the potassium cyanide and formed free prussic acid.

Dr. Shulze, of the University of Berlin, has recently made two observations which appear to show almost miraculous powers of resistance. (See Zoologischer Anzeiger, vol. 39, page 199.) A student at the University of Berlin wished to study some Hottentot heads, and had the heads sent to him from German-South Africa. The heads were placed in tin boxes, covered with a solution of formaldehyde to preserve them and the boxes sealed. When these boxes were opened in Berlin a great number of tiny flies flew out, which were identified as the ordinary "fruit fly" which collects about over-ripe bananas and grapes (scientifically, *Drosophila rubrostrata*). What was even more remarkable was the fact that great numbers of the larvae were found swimming about in the preserving fluid. Fearing that the heads would be injured by the larvae, a saturated solution of formaldehyde was poured over the heads, but the larvae were uninjured.

Formaldehyde is one of the most irritant and poisonous gases known. It is very largely used to disinfect rooms where there have been contagious dis-



"Some flies can thrive even on prussic acid."

cases, and a 3 per cent solution is used by most museums as a preserving solution in which to keep their specimens. Dr. Willey found that even small traces which were used by unscrupulous milkmen to keep the milk from souring produced very harmful

effects. This one "fruit fly" is the only known animal which can withstand the effects of formaldehyde.

Dr. Shulze also had occasion to place some larvae of the ordinary "blow fly" (*Musca vomitoria*) in a 2 per cent solution of chromic acid. No animal or plant was known which could withstand the action of this acid, but the larvae not only lived at the bottom of the solution, but they pupated and produced living flies.

The occurrence of plants which live upon insects which they capture is well known. Some of these plants have appendages which act as traps. The lid of the trap lies open, but when an insect walks inside of the danger line the lid snaps shut and the plant digests its prey. When the digestion is complete the trap opens for another victim. There are five species of flies, however (3 culicids, 1 phorid, and 1 anthomyid), which lay their eggs in the digestive fluid of the pitcher plants, and the larvae live here, feeding on the luckless insects which are captured. These larvae are not digested because they secrete a fluid which renders the digestive fluid harmless to them. The tape worms and other intestinal worms have the same means of stopping digestive processes.

It is a common report that the Dead Sea in Palestine, and the Great Salt Lake in Utah, contain no animal life because of the great amount of dissolved matter in the water. But in Southern California there is a lake, Owen's Lake, which contains as much dissolved material as either the Dead Sea or Great Salt Lake, and in addition to this the salt is largely soda (washing soda). Each gallon of this water contains nearly a pound and a half of washing soda, and large quantities of the water are evaporated in order to obtain this soda. Contrary to all expectations, this lake contains an abundance of animal life, but all of

one sort, namely, the larvae of a fly (*Ephydra alkali-lina*). These larvae occur in countless numbers, so that after a storm they are washed ashore by the bushes. The Indians collect them after storms and also by means of dragging screens, or closely woven baskets, through the water, and dry them in the sun. They are then ground and baked into a bread which the Indians call "Koo-chah-bee."

It has lately been noticed (Science vol. 35, p. 133) that great numbers of a tiny larva were to be found in the crude petroleum of California, after it had been exposed to the open air for a time. These larvae are those of the "oil fly" (*Pelipia petrolii*). The adults apparently deposit the eggs outside of the oil and the maggots enter the oil as soon as they hatch. The probability is, inasmuch as they feed upon dead flies and other insects, that they found the oil to be a certain source of abundant food material, furnished by other insects which had been killed by falling into the oil. The resistant powers of these larvae is almost past belief, for they live for more than twenty-four hours when placed in pure gasoline or kerosene.

Perhaps Science will soon furnish us with more of these instances of the ability to overcome almost sure death. The entire question arouses such a great field for speculation that we are almost bewildered. The query at once arises "how did these special groups develop, and by what power are they immune?" Take, for instance, the "oil fly." Until recently it was unknown and certainly could not have always lived in the oil, for the oil fields of California are of a very recent date. We have therefore, possibly, a well known fly adapting itself to the new conditions, and by means of this change, so changing its nature so as to appear to be a new variety. As to why it is immune as yet there is no answer.

## ALLEGES ASSAULT ON COUNTY ROAD

Boulton Says He Was Beaten by Unknown Auto Driver.

With his clothes spattered with blood and his head bandaged, Charles Boulton appeared in the sheriff's office Saturday morning. The injured man stated that he was out for a ride in an automobile Friday night and at some point on the county road another machine came up and stopped the car he was riding in.

Boulton said he got out of the car, and just about that time a man riding in the other machine struck him over the head with an automobile crank, knocking him to the ground. He could assign no reason for the act unless it was that he had rented the wrong car. He said he did not know the name of the man who struck him. Boulton stated he was from Wichita Falls, Tex., and had been in El Paso only a few days.

LOUIS TERRAZAS REPORTED HELD FOR LARGER RANSOM

Louis Terrazas, Jr., is said to be still under arrest with the rebels and is being held for a higher ransom than that paid by him for his release from service at the front at the battle of Bachimba. He is said to have been forced to pay \$25,000 for his release from military duty and that he is now being held for a ransom of \$57,000 Mexican currency before he will be released and allowed to come to the state.

FRED MILLER ARRESTED.

Fred Miller, said to be from Juarez, was arrested by the El Paso police Saturday on a charge of being a suspicious character.

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